

**MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS SECTION
MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPY,
PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS AND SOCIAL WORK (MPSW)
MINUTES
November 1, 2005**

PRESENT: Bruce Kuehl, Abe Rabinowitz, Ann Marie Starr, and Linda Schwallie

EXCUSED: None

STAFF PRESENT: Jeff Scanlan, Director of Health Services; Jacquelynn Rothstein, Legal Counsel; Gina York, Bureau Assistant, Division of Enforcement staff and others during portions of the meeting

GUESTS: Lynn Gauger, Self

CALL TO ORDER

Linda Schwallie called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m. There was a quorum of four members.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Additions to the Agenda:

None.

MOTION: Abe Rabinowitz moved, seconded by Ann Marie Starr, to approve the agenda as written. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF AUGUST 1, 2005

Amendments to the Minutes:

None.

MOTION: Bruce Kuehl moved, seconded by Abe Rabinowitz, to approve the August 2, 2005 minutes as written. Motion carried unanimously.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Jeff Scanlan, Director of Health Service Professions, welcomed the Section to the new meeting space, shared with them the new hotel policy, and provided a handout for their records. He also informed the Section that the Board Member Hotline number is for board member use only. There has been an increasing frequency of non-board members calling in on this number. This is a reminder not to share this number with others. Mr. Scanlan provided a report from Eric Callisto, DOE Division Administrator, which indicated that he has set July 14, 2006, as the deadline for filing or resolving all 2003 cases. Mr. Callisto has set February 10, 2006, as the deadline for the completion of investigation on these same cases. This includes all 2003 cases, including those Medical Examining Board cases that have a statutory deadline that falls after July 14, 2006. This deadline was set with the recognition that many cases are currently in hearing, that the 2003 stack of open cases is very large (app 400), and that you all have worked very hard to move the older cases through the system. It also was set with an understanding of the limits of this type of deadline to further expedite the resolution of cases.

PRESENTATION OF PROPOSED STIPULATIONS

None.

PRESENTATION OF PROPOSED STIPULATIONS THAT MAY BE SIGNED AFTER MAILING OF AGENDA

None.

SUMMARY REPORTS ON PENDING COURT CASES, DISCIPLINARY CASES AND ADMINISTRATIVE RULES AND PRESS RELEASES

Jacquelynn Rothstein, Legal Counsel, reviewed the summary reports and was available for question by the Section.

STATUS OF RULES AND STATUTES

There were three rules up for adoption at the MPSW Joint Board meeting held the morning of November 1, 2005. Jacquelynn Rothstein, Legal Counsel, will keep the Section abreast of any relevant issues that may influence the progression or implementation of all rules at each Section meeting.

CHANGES TO 440.08 CREDENTIAL RENEWAL IMPLEMENTATION CE REQUIREMENTS

There was a legislative change which will effect credentialing renewal, implementation and continuing education requirements. After some discussion, the Section requested Jeff Scanlan, Director of Health Service Professions, to check with Cathy Pond, Division Administrator of Credentialing, if there would be a reduction in the licensure fee for the 2007-2009 biennium. The following action was taken at today's meeting.

MOTION: Ann Marie Starr moved, seconded by Bruce Kuehl, to authorize and publish on the DRL Website the changes for licensure and the proration of CE credits as follows: July 2005-July 2007, 30 CE credits will be required; July 2007-March 2009, 25 CE credits will be required; and March 2009-March 2011 will return to 30 CE credits. Motion carried unanimously.

UPDATE REGARDING LRB 2627 TRAINING CERTIFICATE LEGISLATION

Jacquelynn Rothstein, Legal Counsel, and Jeff Scanlan, Director of Health Service Professions, provided the latest update regarding LRB 2627 at today's meeting. The Department is in support of this legislation and the Section was encouraged to contact legislators, professionals in the field, and to actively look for a sponsor for this piece of legislation. Mr. Scanlan will ensure all Section members have the latest copy of this legislation.

UPDATE AND DISCUSSION REWRITE OF RULES REGARDING OUTPATIENT MENTAL HEALTH CLINICS

Kimberly Nania, Division Administrator of Board Services, and Jeff Scanlan, Bureau Director of Health Service Professions, attended the first scheduled listening session by DHFS on the rewriting of the rules regarding Outpatient Mental Health Clinics. Eric Alvin provided written input at this listening session on behalf of the Social Work Section. Mr. Scanlan ensured his document was submitted on his behalf. Mr. Scanlan shared additional dates and locations for upcoming listening sessions. At the MPSW Joint Board meeting, held the morning of November 1, 2005, the Board requested Chair Linda Schwallie to send a letter highlighting specific points identified by the Board at their meeting.

PSYCHOMETRIC TESTING SECTION RECOMMENDATIONS FOR COMMUNICATION WITH PSYCHOLOGY EXAMINING BOARD

The Section had reviewed and discussed the correspondence received from Don Crowder, Chair of the Psychology Examining Board. In his correspondence, he asked the MPSW Joint Board to

provide to them a written explanation of the issues that the Joint Board would like to discuss. At the November 1, 2005 meeting, the Section reviewed and outlined specific issues surrounding the topic of psychometric testing and what they would like to discuss with the Psychology Board. The Board will again invite a representative from the Psychology Examining Board to the next MPSW Joint Board meeting. Chair Schwallie will write the response letter and get it to Jeff Scanlan, Director of Health Service Professions, to be forwarded to the Psychology Board for discussion at their upcoming November 16, 2005 meeting.

DISCUSSION REGARDING CONSIDERATION OF THE CALIFORNIA MFT STANDARD EXAMINATION

The Section discussed the consideration of the California MFT examination at today's meeting. Ann Marie Starr shared that at the AMFTRB meeting the issue of the acceptance of other examinations were one of the main topics of discussion. The Section explored the differences and how it compares to the current Wisconsin examination. The Section looked at many of the issues involved in evaluating exams, such as content, core competencies, etc. At this time, it appears there is no reason to go back and change the decision made at previous MFT meeting sessions regarding this issue.

AAMFT REPORT BY LINDA SCHWALLIE

Linda Schwallie, shared that there was nothing to report at this time.

AMFTRB AND CLEAR REPORT BY ANN MARIE STARR

Ann Marie Starr attended the AMFTRB Annual Meeting, which was held in Phoenix, Arizona. She provided a handout with a summary of the discussions, issues, and experiences at the 2005 conference. Ms. Starr also gave the CLEAR report and shared relevant information. She emphasized that one of the common threads that seemed to run throughout the annual conference was the issue of equivalency in the areas of education, practice, and examinations. AMFTRB is planning on asking state boards if they would be supportive of an increase in AMFTRB membership fees, which would then include sending one representative with costs paid, to annual conferences.

COALITION REPORT BY ANN MARIE STARR

Ann Marie Starr provided a coalition report to the Section at today's meeting.

WAMFT REPORT BY BRUCE KUEHL

Bruce Kuehl reported that WAMFT is in support and of the legislation for the MFT training certificate. He also provided a handout by Arlie Albrecht, WAMFT President, titled, One "Model" Policy & Procedure Implementing Variance #3 (DDES BQA 05-007) of June 2, 2005." Some board members shared that this model is meant to be used in assisting clinics to create their own policies. The Section reviewed this WAMFT document as information only. Mr. Kuehl shared that WAMFT will be providing an Ethics and Boundaries course once or twice a year.

EDUCATION CONSORTIUM BY ANN MARIE STARR

Ann Marie Starr reported that the education consortium will be meeting in January 2006 at the WAMFT retreat.

CORRESPONDENCE AND INQUIRIES RECEIVED BY LEGAL COUNSEL

None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

None.

CONSULTING WITH LEGAL COUNSEL

The Section consulted with Jacquelynn Rothstein, Legal Counsel, throughout today's meeting as needed.

VISITOR COMMENTS

None.

CONVENE TO CLOSED SESSION

MOTION: Ann Marie Starr moved, seconded by Bruce Kuehl, to adjourn to closed session pursuant to Wisconsin State statutes 19.85(1)(a)(b)(f) and (g) for the purpose of conducting appearances, reviewing monitoring requests, requests for licensure, deliberate on stipulations, administrative warnings, proposed decisions and orders, consulting with Legal Counsel and Division of Enforcement case status reports. Motion carried by roll call vote: Ann Marie Starr-yes, Bruce Kuehl-yes; Abe Rabinowitz-yes; Linda Schwallie-yes.

Open Session recessed at 3:20 p.m.

RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION

MOTION: Ann Marie Starr moved, seconded by Bruce Kuehl, to reconvene into open session at 4:25 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

VOTING ON ITEMS CONSIDERED OR DELIBERATED ON IN CLOSED SESSION

MONITORING

None.

**DELIBERATION OF MONITORING ISSUES THAT MAY BE RECEIVED
AFTER MAILING OF AGENDA**

None.

REQUEST FOR SUPERVISORY APPROVAL

There were no supervisor requests submitted for the MFT agenda packet by the Credentialing division.

**REQUESTS FOR SUPERVISORY APPROVAL RECEIVED AFTER THE MAILING
OF THE AGENDA**

The Section had two requests for supervisory approval received after the mailing of the agenda and was presented at today's meeting by Asia Thao, Credentialing.

HEATHER HAAS

MOTION: Ann Marie Starr moved, seconded by Abe Rabinowitz, to approve Stacey Parke, LCSW, as an approved supervisor for Heather Haas. Motion carried unanimously.

KAMI RADSEK

MOTION: Ann Marie Starr moved, seconded by Bruce Kuehl, to deny Kathleen Bondow, LPC, as a supervisor for Kami Radsek. Motion carried unanimously.

**DELIBERATION OF PROPOSED STIPULATIONS THAT MAY BE SIGNED
AFTER MAILING OF AGENDA**

None.

**DELIBERATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE WARNINGS THAT MAY BE ISSUED
AFTER MAILING OF AGENDA**

None.

**DELIBERATION OF PROPOSED FINAL DECISIONS AND ORDERS THAT MAY BE
RECEIVED AFTER MAILING OF THE AGENDA**

None.

**DELIBERATION OF PETITIONS FOR REHEARINGS RECEIVED AFTER THE
MAILING OF THE AGENDA**

None.

DIVISION OF ENFORCEMENT CASE STATUS

None.

APPLICATION REVIEWS

The following are files reviewed by the MFT Section at today's meeting.

Connie Moe
Luis Rodriguez
Justin Smith
Claire Scriba
Elena Hennick

MOTION: Abe Rabinowitz moved, seconded by Bruce Kuehl, to approve those approved, denied those denied, and to request more information where indicated. Motion carried unanimously.

OTHER SECTION BUSINESS

Noted.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Bruce Kuehl moved, seconded by Ann Marie Starr, to adjourn the meeting at 4:28 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.